
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Monday, March 1, 2021

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5285](#)

BY Williams, Vella-Wilkinson, Knight, Slater, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RESIDENCE OF THOSE IN GOVERNMENT CUSTODY ACT {LC932/1} (Requires that the state use the actual residences of persons in government custody for census and redistricting purposes. Such information would be determined by the DOC and the secretary of state, and forwarded to the United States census bureau.)

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5290](#)

BY Williams, Vella-Wilkinson, Alzate, Batista, Giraldo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE POLICE--DIVERSITY {LC29/1} (Mandates 40% of new police recruits be persons of color.)

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [5421](#)

BY Messier, Kislak, Giraldo, Barros, Knight, Kazarian, Solomon, McNamara, Fellela, Fenton-Fung

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE -- RIGHT TO ADEQUATE EDUCATION {LC860/1} (Adds two sections to the constitution/guarantees residents adequate education permitting learning at high levels, become lifelong learners, productive workers and responsible citizens/makes rights guaranteed under the constitution judicially enforceable.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5422](#)

BY Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING {LC998/1} (Requires nonprofit entities and candidates comply with reporting requirements for transportation and other amenities provided to any candidate, prohibits nonprofit owned by a candidate to provide any other candidate such amenities.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5430](#)

BY Place, Chippendale, Quattrocchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES {LC346/1} (Administrative hearings to follow superior court rules of procedure and evidence. Provides for subpoena of witnesses and evidence.)

02/08/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5486](#)

BY Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- EMPLOYEE CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK {LC734/1} (Requires all applicants for employment with the department of BHDDH or any of its licensed facilities or programs to have the attorney general's office conduct their mandated nationwide criminal records check.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5596](#)

BY Craven, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM {LC1649/1} (Establishes a statewide public safety computer aided dispatch records management system.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5597](#)

BY Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- UNIFORM UNSWORN DECLARATION ACT {LC1655/1} (Gives an "unsworn" declaration given under the penalty of perjury the same effect as "a sworn" declaration, and subject to the criminal penalties for perjury.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5598](#)

BY Tobon, Caldwell, Alzate, Edwards, Lima, Barros, Amore, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION--AUTOMOBILE WRECKING AND SALVAGE YARDS {LC1250/1} (Prohibits any entity/individual from advertising sale/purchase/receipt/transport/salvage of junks/discarded vehicle unless done by licensed auto wrecking/salvage yard subject to civil fines.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5599](#)

BY Ajello, Handy, Donovan, Speakman, Kislak, Cassar, Knight, Fogarty, McEntee, Tanzi ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY {LC1577/1} (Eliminates the words "moral turpitude" as a cause of refusal to issue a license to various professionals.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5600](#)

BY Ajello, Tanzi, Felix, Batista, Handy, Speakman, Kislak, Cassar, Knight, Fogarty ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES {LC1025/1} (Includes the general assembly elections within the category of elections subject to the risk- limiting audits within the jurisdiction of the board of elections.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [5635](#)

BY Kislak, Cortvriend, Speakman, Ajello, Alzate, Morales, Felix, Henries, Donovan ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION (ELECTIONS) {LC336/1} (Proposes an amendment to the constitution to modify the legal minimum age to vote from eighteen (18) years to sixteen (16) years.)

02/19/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5640](#)

BY Cassar, Amore, Kazarian, Henries, Felix, Morales, Knight ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- GENERAL PROVISIONS {LC1384/1} (Allows individuals, who have not reached the age of eighteen (18) years, to vote in a primary election, as long as the voter will be eighteen (18) as of the date of the general or special election.)

02/22/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5748](#)

BY Giraldo, Alzate, Williams

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS OF VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS {LC1911/1} (Requires state and national criminal background checks person volunteering or interning at any elementary or secondary educational institution. It would also waive fees for background checks employment with salary of less than forty thousand dollars.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

02/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5757](#)

BY Casimiro, Noret, Fenton-Fung

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING {LC1676/1} (Increase the fines for the late filing of campaign finance reports to one hundred dollars (\$100) for a second offense, five hundred dollars (\$500) for a third offense, and one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for all subsequent offenses.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

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Both verbal and written testimony are welcome.

VERBAL TESTIMONY

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Submit written testimony to:

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